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EducationUSA and Ministry of Education (MoE) Brief Secondary School and Sixth Form Centers Career Teachers

On September 18, 2014, EducationUSA, the U.S. Embassy Bandar Seri Begawan's academic advising service, organized a briefing and appreciation day for Secondary Schools and Sixth Form Centers Career Teachers from government and private schools.

The event took place with the Ministry of Education (MoE) Careers and Counselling Division at The Rizqun International Hotel in Gadong.

During the event, career teachers were provided with the latest information on higher education in the United States, along with tools to assist students in finding a 'best fit' U.S. higher educational institution.

U.S. Embassy Bandar Seri Begawan's Public Affairs Officer Edward Findlay thanked the MoE Careers and Counselling Division and the Career Teachers for their efforts towards ensuring that students in Brunei make well-informed choices about higher education and their future careers.

Mr. Findlay stated, "EducationUSA's participation in the Ministry of Education-led nationwide outreach to schools has contributed to an increasing desire among Bruneians to pursue higher education in the United States of America. America is the top destination worldwide for international students, with over one million students from across the globe currently studying at U.S. colleges and universities or participating in educational exchange programs."

Over the past several years, hundreds of students from Brunei have studied at top U.S. universities such as Stanford University, New York University, Georgia Institute of Technology, Parson's The New School for Design, Purdue University, Yale University, University of California, Georgetown University and many others.

Ministry of Education Head of Careers and Counselling Division, Ali Yusri Abd Ghafor, expressed his appreciation to the U.S. Embassy in Bandar Seri Begawan for continuing to support MoE's mission to produce globally competitive citizens. He stated, "With the recent appointment of career teachers for all secondary and sixth form centers, the career and counselling division would surely hope that students would get good careers advice and guidance at school. It is every career teachers' responsibility to inform students what courses, trainings, jobs and most importantly career paths are available and the type of skills and experience they need to do them".

EducationUSA will be providing free consultations for the public on Friday, September 26 from 2:00pm to 9:30pm at the first floor of The Mall in Gadong

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